

day night and another to night to an overflowing house, eliciting most rapturous applause.

ated and a platform adopted. The Convention was very large, every portion of the State being represented.

PORTLAND, Me., February 23.

The steamer Bohemian, from Liverpool, struck on a rock four miles south and outside of Cape Elizabeth, last evening, and sunk within two miles from shore.

The night was clear, and the Cape light was in full view. All the passengers were saved.

She had 200 steerage passengers. One boat was capsized alongside, drowning several persons.

The cargo was mostly for provincial and Canadian account, and valued at one million dollars.

Among the loss of steerage passengers are E. Farrell, wife and three children, of Cincinnati; Mrs. Mary Ann Farrell, children, of California; and John Lee, of Chicago.

It is not stated whether any of the steerage passengers were lost; it is thought but few passengers were lost, except those in the swampy ed boat.

It is thought some of the freemen perished. But three ball mags were saved among them, one from Glasgow and California.

The Associated Press dispatches were lost.

BOSTON, Feb. 23.  
A vessel has arrived here from the Atlantic, which left that port on the 31st of December, under the privateer "Pomeloosab." It has been seized by the British authorities, and the crew, of the neutrality laws, by landing a portion of her cargo on that coast.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 23.  
Weather warm and cloudy, with indications of rain. River fallen 10 inches; 9 feet in the lake.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 23.  
River four feet by the pier mark and falling. Navigation is yet closed. Weather clear and warm.

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**SECRET CIRCULAR.**

Chase and his Friends versus Lincoln.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February, 1864.

The movements recently made throughout the country to secure the re nomination of

President Lincoln, renders necessary some explanation on the part of those unconditional friends of the Administration who differ from the policy of his Administration.

So long as no effort was made to forestall the political action of the people, it was both wise and patriotic for all true friends of the Government to devote their influence to the support of the Administration. But when it becomes evident that party machinations and the influence of the press are being used to secure the perpetuation of the present Administration, those who conscientiously believe that the interests of the country and of freedom demand the overthrow of the present Administration and nationally, have no choice but to appeal to the people, before it shall be too late to secure a fair discussion of principles. Those in behalf of whom this communication is published, are not in any way connected with the Administration.

1. That even were the election of Mr. Lincoln desirable, it is practically impossible against the union of influences which will oppose him.
2. That, should he be re-elected, his maintenance of a tendency toward compromise and temporary expediency in policy will become stronger during a second term than it has in the first, and the cause of human liberty and the dignity and honor of the nation suffer proportionately; while the war may continue to languish during his whole administration, until the patriotic shall become a burden too great to be borne.
3. That the patronage of the Government, through the necessities of the war, has been

4. That we find united in Hon. Salmon P. Chase more of the qualities needed in a President during the next four years, than are combined in any other available candidate; his high moral and religious principles, showing him to be a vigorous and energetic administrator of the very highest order, while his private character furnishes the rarest obtainable guarantee of economy and purity in the management of public affairs.

the warmest admirers; and while we are aware that this strength is at present unorganized and in no condition to manifest its real magnitude, we are satisfied that only needs systematic and faithful effort, to develop it to an extent sufficient to overcome all opposing obstacles.

For these reasons the friends of Mr. Chase have determined on measures which shall invest his claims fairly and at once to the country. A central organization has been effected, which already has its connections in all the States, and the object of which is to enable his friend everywhere most effectively to promote his elevation to the Presidency.

We wish the hearty co-operation of all those who are in sympathy with the principles of the Union upon the basis of universal freedom, and who desire an administration of

the Government during the first period of its new life, which shall, to the fullest extent, develop the capacity of free institutions, enlarge the resources of the country, diminish the burdens of taxation, direct the energies of the public and private morality, vindicate the honor of the Republic before the world, and, in all things, make our American nationality the fairest example for imitation which human progress has ever achieved.

Very respectfully,  
S. C. POMEROY,  
Chairman National Executive Committee.

**A Quaker Statesman.**  
An American speaks thus of Mr. Bright in  
late letter to a Boston paper:  
Mr. Bright's speeches at Birmingham have  
produced a great flutter among the landowners  
and upstartdom in general. The *Cubs* of the  
Times and its many imitators is to praise  
Mr. Bright's eloquence and wonderful gifts,  
and to deplore that they should be wasted in  
contending with the discontents and hopeless  
visions of reform, when they might be devoting  
themselves to the good of the whole coun-  
try in the highest service of the country; the  
plain English of which is, that if Mr. Bright  
will gradually train his powers to conserva-  
tism, and tone down the spirits of the peo-

[illegible]

him yet." There is no doubt that the tories know that these revolutions must come unless this big gun can be in some way spiked. There is now a loud complaint that Mr. Bright does not know when he is necessary. He is a good man, but he is not a quaker and shudder, and when declared to be saying most dangerous things, he is villainously cool and actually unconscious of the danger. In one thing the tories are perfectly right; that is in declaring that Mr. Bright's ideas of abolishing primogeniture is wretchedly ill-considered. But his views on the subject of world-guns which he has held up with such formidable power. Doubtless Mr. Bright knows this; but he knows that when the handful who own England know that the streams are coming they will be sure to cut

**3** The town of Lawrenceburg, Indiana, has filled its quota under all calls for volunteers.

**4** San Francisco is threatened by the rebel cruisers. They have left the coast of Asia,











